

COVINGTON & BURLING

1201 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20004-2401
TEL 202.662.6000
FAX 202.662.6291
WWW.COV.COM

WASHINGTON
NEW YORK
SAN FRANCISCO
LONDON
BRUSSELS

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

ORIGINAL

JONATHAN D. BLAKE
TEL 202.662.5506
FAX 202.662.6291
JBLAKE@COV.COM

RECEIVED

May 12, 2003

BY HAND DELIVERY

MAY 12 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: Ex Parte Notice
MB Docket No. 02-277
DA 01-1264

Dear Ms. Dortch:

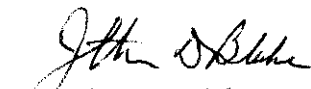
This is to report on an ex parte visit that took place on Friday, May 9, 2003 concerning the above proceedings. Alan Frank, President of Post Newsweek Stations and Chair of the Network Affiliated Stations Alliance (NASA), Andrew Fisher, President of Cox Television, Alexander Netchvolodoff, Senior Vice President of Public Policy of Cox Enterprises, Inc., Marius Schwartz, Professor of Economics at Georgetown University, and Jennifer Johnson and the undersigned, counsel to NASA, met with Commissioner Kevin Martin and Catherine Bohigian, Esq., his Legal Advisor.

We shared with Commissioner Martin and Ms. Bohigian various documents that are already a matter of record in the 35% cap proceeding. The conversation dealt with issues already fully pleaded in the 35% cap proceeding and touched slightly on the NASA Petition. We discussed the problems caused by acquisitions in excess of the cap that had been entered into with the stated intention to bring them into compliance with the Commission's rules.

Please direct any questions regarding this notice to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

No. of Copies rec'd 0+3
List ABCDE


Jonathan D. Blake

*Counsel for the Network
Affiliated Stations Alliance*

COVINGTON & BURLING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch

May 12, 2003

Page 2

cc: Commissioner Kevin Martin
Catherine Bohigian, Esquire
Mr. Alan Frank
Mr. Andrew Fisher
Mr. Alexander Netchvolodoff
Professor Marius Schwartz
Jennifer Johnson, Esq.
Mania Baghdadi
Linda Senecal
Qualex International